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THE MARY, CAPTAIN BOYD.

Edinburgh, Dec 9. 1785.

AT a General Meeting of the owners of the ship, and proprietors of goods in the Mary, Captain Boyd, lately ſtranded on the coaſt of Lincolnſhire, held this day, the following gentlemen were nominated a Committee to examine the accounts of ſalvage and other expences incurred, viz. Meſſ. Robert Young, William Creech, William Gibſon, Alexander Allan, Alexander Thomſon, of Edinburgh; Meſſ. Alexander Sommervail, and William Robertſon, of Leith. All perſons concerned, are therefore requeſted to give in their invoices, and numbers of their packages, addreſſed, *To the Committee on the accounts of the ſhip Mary of Leith*; to be left at the Royal Exchange Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, on or before Wedneſday the 14th current, at twelve o'clock, that the proportions of the average may be aſcertained, and the goods delivered as ſpeedily as poſſible. Thoſe who neglect to comply with this requiſition will have themſelves to blame, if their goods are detained.

MIDWIFERY.

DR D. SPENCE and Mr JOHN BELL propoſe beginning a Courſe of Leſſons on MIDWIFERY for [illegible], on Wednesday [illegible] at three o'clock in the afternoon, at their Lying-in Hoſpital, head of Forreſter's Wynd.

Pregnant Women are received there [illegible] and every opportunity of practice and inſtruction is furniſhed to the pupils.

The fee for Gentlewomen is moderated to L. 3 l. 3 s. with a ſmall gratuity to the matron.

N. B. The Spring Courſe for Gentlemen, which will be given by Mr BELL, will begin in February next. The day and terms to be afterwards advertiſed.

† By miſtake in laſt advertiſement, this courſe was ſaid to be for Gentlemen, inſtead of *Gentlewomen*.

DUNN's TWELVE SUBSCRIPTION ASSEMBLIES.

JAMES DUNN, with his moſt reſpectful thanks to the Nobility and Gentry for favours formerly received, takes this method of informing them, that upon Tueſday the 3d of January 1786, he intends to OPEN his Aſſembly Room upon the following plan, which he humbly hopes will be agreeable to the Public.

Each Gentleman's ſubſcription ticket to be two guineas, with twelve tickets tranſferable only to Gentlemen. The Lady's one guinea, with twelve tickets tranſferable only to Ladies, and each of theſe tranſferable tickets to pay three ſhillings at admittance; but the ſubſcription tickets not tranſferable.

Mr Dunn humbly hopes, that ſuch Ladies who mean to countenance him will honour the Aſſembly with their preſence the firſt night, for the purpoſe of appointing twelve Ladies for directing each Aſſembly in turn, who may, upon their own nights, make choice of what Gentlemen they pleaſe to aſſiſt them.

N. B. The Aſſemblies are to be held upon TUESDAYS weekly.

*** The ſubſcription-book is opened at the Hotel, where the tickets will be given out.

THE MILITARY CLUB meets at North's Tavern on Thurſday 15th inſtant, when it is expected all the Members in town will attend.

WILLIAM HAMILTON, Eſq; of Wiſhaw, in the Chair.

Dinner on the Table at four o'clock.

THOSE who are Debtors to the deceaſed HUGH GIBB, Wright in Edinburgh, will be pleaſed to pay the ſame to Marion M'Millan, his relict, who is legally authoriſed to receive and diſcharge the ſame.

MRS GIB returns her grateful acknowledgments to thoſe who favoured her deceaſed husband with their employment, and begs leave to inform them, and the public in general, That ſhe intends to continue to carry on her deceaſed husband's buſineſs of Wright and Undertaker; and all thoſe who are pleaſed to favour her with their employment, may depend upon getting their work properly executed, and on reaſonable terms.

MRS SPALDING, CONFECTIONER, begs leave to acquaint her Friends and Cuſtomers, That ſhe continues to carry on the CONFECTIONARY BUSINESS as formerly, in her ſhop front of the Coyal Exchange, and in the Mint, foot of Todrick's Wynd, where at both places ſhe has a good aſſortment of New Fruits of all kinds for New-Year Cakes, and furniſhes Bunns, Seed Cake, &c. Likewiſe, at the Mint, her two eldeſt daughters manufacture and carry on the buſineſs of White Thread making, and has a good aſſortment on hand. Likewiſe Stocking Thread ſold both at her ſhop and houſe.

Edinburgh and Carliſle Diligence.

WE, the Proprietors thereof, return our moſt ſincere thanks to the Public in general for their bypaſt favours, and we now with pleaſure inform the Public, that by Carliſle from Edinburgh to London is now the moſt expeditious way of travelling, by our being connected with Mr Palmer's Mail Coach, which ſets out from Beck's Coffeehouſe, Carliſle, every night at twelve o'clock, by way of Lancaſter, Mancheſter, and Nottingham; and arrives at London in two days.

We further beg leave moſt reſpectfully to inform the public, that all perſons that ſend, or order to be ſent, any goods or parcels by our conveyance, that we will on no account be anſwerable even for goods or parcels loſt or abſtracted, to a greater amount than fifteen pounds Sterling; and to that amount only, in the event of the proprietor's claiming his property within one month after booking the goods and parcels, and proving their value. And further, any perſon that ſends, or orders to be ſent, any goods or parcels by our conveyance, muſt take the riſk of all damages occaſioned by the friction of the carriage, ſlight package, or otherwiſe, entirely on themſelves; that we, the proprietors, will on no account be anſwerable for any damages whatever.

While the proprietors are, in juſtice to themſelves, thus unequivocally to declare to the Public, that theſe and theſe only are the terms on which they carry goods or parcels by the Diligences and Flies above mentioned, they, at the ſame time, declare, that no pains will be ſpared both to pleaſe paſſengers, and to prevent loſs or damage of parcels, to the utmoſt of their power. *Edinburgh, December 4. 1785.*

BURNTISLAND SUGAR-HOUSE,

1ſt December, 1785.

DUGUIDS, LEDINGHAM, AND COMPANY, have begun the Sugar Refining buſineſs here, and intend carrying it on in all its parts. The public may depend on their Sugars being of the beſt quality, and equal to any made in Britain. They therefore hope, the public will find it their intereſt to deal with them, as they are reſolved to do every thing in their power to ſerve their friends and cuſtomers, on the very beſt terms. They intend opening their ſales 20th current, when they will have a complete aſſortment of Single Refined, Beſt, Second, and Common, Lumps, Powders, Candy, and Molaſſes.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Britiſh Coffeehouſe, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 23d day of December inſtant, between the hours of ſix and ſeven afternoon,

The Whole Subjects lying at FOUNTAINBRIDGE, which belonged to John Richardſon, ſome time maſon there.

The Subjects, when ſet, will draw about 11 l. of yearly rent, and the parts ſub-feued draw about 7 l. 15 s. of feu-duty yearly. There is a large area, upon which no buildings are yet erected, but which may be feued or ſold to advantage for that purpoſe, as it lies next to the diſtillery at Lochrin.

The ſubjects are holden in feu, for payment of 13 l. 17 s. 6 d. yearly of feu-duty; and the progreſs of writs, which is clear, may be ſeen in the hands of Alexander Cunningham, writer, Blackfriar's Wynd, who will inform as to further particulars.

AERIAL EXCURSION.

MR LUNARDI moſt reſpectfully informs the Nobility, Gentry, and Public in general, that his next flight from Edinburgh will be the moſt intereſting in regard to Aeroſtation, and the moſt beautiful object to the ſpectators ever exhibited.

He intended to aſcend on Monday firſt; but as the machinery on which his great experiment is founded, and which will proceed 500 feet before him in the air, cannot poſſibly be air-tight before the end of next week; he therefore fixes on Monday the 19th current for his Aſcenſion from Heriot's Gardens, *wind and weather permitting*.

Mr LUNARDI is happy to obſerve to the generous public, That ſince his coming to Scotland, he has improved this noble diſcovery in a very great degree, and has experienced lately what was never aſcertained by theory in philoſophy, or experienced by any other aeronaut, as appears by his laſt brief account.

All thoſe Ladies or Gentlemen who wiſh to have tents, boxes, or ſcaffolds erected in the Garden, will pleaſe ſend their orders to Mr Kedie the gardener, who will agree with them for ſuch.

As the expence of this ſecond aſcenſion will not be leſs than the firſt, on account of the new Machinery, Mr Lunardi begs that the Tickets may be ſent for as ſoon as poſſible, which are now delivering at Mr Creech's bookſeller, and Mr [illegible]'s, where ſubſcriptions are opened for an Account of all his Aerial Voyages in Scotland, in a Serious of Letters to his Guardian, Chevalier Cherardo Compagni, written under the impreſſion of the various events that affected the undertaking of his firſt Aſcent from this place, embelliſhed with a ſtrikinglikeneſs of himſelf, (the Author) painted by *Mr Naſmith*, and engraved by the celebrated Mr Burke: Alſo, an engraving of the Balloon and Apparatus. Price Five Shillings. The money to be paid when the books are delivered. Subſcribers will pleaſe mark their deſignations.

For the conveniency of the Ladies, a book will be at the Concert Hall every concert night.

INDIGO.

TO be SOLD by public roup, at the Marble Work, Leith, on Tueſday the 13th December,

A Quantity of FINE INDIGO, to be put up in lots, for the convenience of purchaſers.

Apply to James Whyte, at the Marble Work, Leith, where the ſamples will be ſhewn.

FRUITS.

JUST now arrived from France, in the *Ann*, Robert Kidd maſter, and to be ſold by JOHN THOMSON and CO. at their Warehouſe, Quality-ſtreet, Leith, viz.

St Catharine Prunes in boxes.	Walnuts in bags.
Beſt St Catharine Prunes in half boxes.	Cheſnuts,—and
Common Prunes in caſks.	French Apples.

They have alſo on hand for ſale, of SPANISH FRUITS,

Muſcatell Raiſins in boxes.	Grapes in jars.
Lexia Raiſins in caſks and frails.	Figs in caſks and frails.
Jar Raiſins.	AND
Raiſins of the Sun.	Lemons in boxes.

NEW RAISINS, &c.

JUST arrived from Malaga, in the Jenny and Peggy, Captain Archibald Young, and to be Sold for ready money, a Cargo of NEW FRUITS, conſiſting of

Sun Raiſins Lexia Raiſins Figs	In caſks.
Muſcatelle Raiſins Bloom Raiſins Jordan Almonds	In ſmall boxes.
White Wine Grapes in jars.	
Lemons China Oranges	In cheſts and half cheſts.

ALSO,

Juſt arrived from Seville, in the Ann, Captain Peter Lockhart, a Cargo of China and Bitter Oranges.

Apply to John Walker and Company, Edinburgh, or to David Liddell, at their Warehouſe, Kirkgate, Leith.

JOHN GRÆME, late of the 54th Regiment, ſon of the late David Græme, Eſq; advocate, and ALEXANDER WRIGHT, wine merchant in Edinburgh, reſpectfully inform their Friends and the Public, That they have entered into articles of Copartnery in the WINE and Foreign Trade. As they are always to have on hand a large and neat aſſorment of Wines of various vintages, from two years old upwards, the prices of which will be regulated agreeable to every year's vintage, therefore ſolicit the countenance of their friends and the public.

Pleaſe addreſs commiſſions, at preſent, to Mr Wright, Cowgate-head.

To be LET at Whitſunday firſt in SHOPS, or as a Dwelling-houſe, for ſuch a number of years as can be agreed on,

THAT elegant LODGING, north-weſt corner of George's Street, fronting Hanover Street, conſiſting of nine rooms, kitchen, landry, five cellars, a water-pipe, back ground, with many conveniencies.

Information will be got at the Printing Office where to apply.

FOR JAMAICA,

THE EUPHRATES,

JOHN CAMPBELL Maſter;

Will certainly be clear to ſail by the 20th December, and will touch at Port Maria, Montague Bay, Lucea, Savannah-la-Mar, and Black River.

AND,

THE ELISABETH,

JOHN FISH Maſter,

Will be clear to ſail by the 20th January, and will deliver goods at Montague Bay, Lucea, and Green Iſland.

The Euphrates and Elizabeth, are both Britiſh built veſſels, and particularly fitted up for the accommodation of paſſengers, each veſſel having a large cabin, and ſeveral ſtate rooms.

For paſſage in the Euphrates, and freight or paſſage in the Elizabeth, apply to Somervell, Gordon, and Co. Glaſgow, or the maſters at Greenock. *Glaſgow, November 25. 1785.*

FOR HALIFAX,

THE BRIG MARY,

(Burden about 160 Tons)

Will be ready to take on board goods at Greenock by the 1ſt of January, and will be clear to ſail by the 10th of February next.

The Mary is a fine faſt-ſailing veſſel, and has excellent accommodation for paſſengers.

For freight or paſſage apply to Alexander Warrand, Glaſgow, or Morriſon and Company, Greenock.

Morriſon and Company have for ſale a cargo of American Timber, conſiſting of oak, elm, beech, black birch, rock mapple, a quantity of elm keel pieces, and maſts from 15 to 20 inches thick; likewiſe a cargo of exceeding fine Newfoundland Cod Oil.

On Thurſday the 15th of December,

WILL BE PUBLISHED AND SOLD BY J. ROBERTSON, At his Printing-Office, Fiſh-market Cloſe,

[Dedicated, by permiſſion, to the DEAN and FACULTY of ADVOCATES,]

THE

UNIVERSAL SCOTS ALMANACK,

For the Year 1786.

With New Liſts, and an Improved Kalender.

☞ Bookſellers in the country will pleaſe obſerve, That on account of the great riſe in the price of paper, the Almanacks this year will be ſixpence per dozen more in quires than formerly; and it is hoped they will ſend their orders ſoon, with ready money, that they may not be diſappointed.

N. B. The trade in Glaſgow and neighbourhood may apply, as uſual, to Mr JAMES ROBERTSON bookſeller, Salt-market.

This Day is publiſhed,

And Sold by JOHN MURRAY, London, and WILLIAM CREECH, Edinburgh,

OBSERVATIONS ON THE

DISEASES INCIDENT TO SEAMEN,

BY GILBERT BLANE, M.D. F.R.S.

Phyſician Extraordinary to the Prince of Wales, Phyſician to St Thomas's Hoſpital, and Phyſician to the Fleet in the laſt War.

Of William Creech may alſo be had, this day publiſhed,

1. The Ladies Memorandum Book for the year 1786, with engravings of the moſt faſhionable dreſſes, price 1s. bound in red leather, with pockets.
2. The Gentleman's Memorandum Book, or Pocket Journal, for 1786, price 1s. 6d. bound in red leather, with pockets.
3. London Almanacks, and Court and City Regiſter, for 1786.
4. Every Man a good Card Player, or Maxims for playing Whiſt, Quadrille, Piquet, Lanſquenet, and Quinze, price 1s.
5. The New Annual Regiſter for the year 1784, price 6s. in boards.
6. The ſame Book complete, in 5 volumes.
7. Letters of certain Jews to Voltaire, tranſlated from the French by Dr Leſanu, 2 vols.
8. An Aſſortment of New Atlaſſes, Maps, and Globes.

ALSO,

ESSAYS HISTORICAL AND MORAL, BY G. GREGORY.

On Thurſday the 15th inſtant will be publiſhed,

(Embelliſhed with a Perſpective View of SOUTH BRIDGE STREET and the adjacent BUILDINGS, according to the intended Plan,)

Large and Small Copies of

THE TOWN & COUNTRY ALMANACK.

Orders addreſſed to T. Ruddiman and Co. will be punctually anſwered; and it is requeſted that theſe may be accompanied by caſh or bills of a ſhort date payable in Edinburgh, as no credit can be given.

On account of the advance of paper, &c. the price this year is raiſed 6d. per dozen.

Bookſellers in the Weſt Country will be ſupplied by James Duncan bookſellers Trongate, Glaſgow.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of the deceaſed JAMES DUNCANSON Miller of Sheriffmuirlands.

THE whole Creditors of the ſaid James Duncanſon are hereby requeſted to meet by themſelves, or their doers properly authoriſed, within the houſe of Thomas Pateſon, Stirling, upon Thurſday the 15th of December current, at 12 o'clock; bringing with them exact ſtates of their claims, that ſo meaſures may be concerted for paying the ſame.

Stirling, 8th December, 1785.

WANTED TO BORROW,

FROM FOUR to SEVEN HUNDRED POUNDS Sterling, upon undoubted heritable or perſonal ſecurity.

Information will be got at the printing office where to apply.

For LEGHORN, and returns to Leith and Grangemouth,

THE SWINTON,

DAVID BONNAR Maſter,

Sails from Grangemouth about the 15th inſt. and is expected to be at Leghorn in February next, where ſhe will lay to get goods. Merchants and others, who intend ſhipping goods per this veſſel, will pleaſe ſend their orders in time to their correſpondents at Leghorn, or to Henry Swinton, Grangemouth, to go by the veſſel.

The ANN, James Martin maſter, ſails from Grangemouth about the 15th January next, to Leghorn.

For freight outward, apply as above. The Ann will call at Liſbon or Gibraltar, if a ſuitable freight offers.

AT ROTTERDAM,

The SIX SISTERS, Alexander Thomſon maſter; preſently lying at Rotterdam, taking in goods for Leith, Alloa, and Grangemouth, and ſails from thence amongſt the firſt winteral veſſels.

For freight, apply as above, or to the maſter at Rotterdam.

For Black River and Savannah-la-Mar, JAMAICA,

THE SHIP GRANDVALE,

ROBERT BAIN Maſter,

Now lying at Port-Glaſgow, is ready to take on board goods, and ſails the 10th December.—The Granvale has excellent accommodation for paſſengers; and, if encouraging freight offers, will call at Cork.

For freight or paſſage, apply to Loudoun, Craigie, and Co. merchants in Glaſgow, or the Maſter at Port-Glaſgow.

Glaſgow, November 18. 1789.

FOR HALIFAX and QUEBECK,

THE SHIP OCEAN,

Burden above 300 tons, now lying at Greenock, will take in goods by the 1ſt of January, and will poſitively ſail by the 25th of March.

The ſhip has good accommodation for paſſengers. For freight or paſſage apply to Mr John Alſton, junior, in Glaſgow; Malcolm, Ritchie, and Leitch, in Greenock; or Pateſon and Pitcairn, inſurance brokers, Milnie's Square, oppoſite the Tron Church, Edinburgh.

Greenock Nov. 14 1785.

A SHIP FOR SALE,

A NEW VESSEL,

About ſixty-five tons, Carpenters tonnage.

Apply to James Grierſon, ſhip-builder, Inverkeithing

From the LONDON GAZETTE, *Dec.* 6.

Dublin Caſtle, Nov. 28. 1785.

HIS Majeſty, by his Royal letters, having appointed the Right Honorable John Earl of Altamont to be of his Moſt Honourable Privy Council of Ireland, his Lordſhip this day in Council took the uſual oaths, and his place at the Board accordingly.

Hamburgh, Nov. 25.

Advice is juſt received here from Eutin, that her Serene Highneſs, the Biſhop of Lubeck's conſort, died yeſterday morning.

LLOYD's LIST, *Dec.* 6.

Extract of a letter from St Auguſtine, 14th September, via Charlestown. His Excellency Governor Tonyn, with his Majeſty's ſhip the Cyprus, and a fleet of tranſports, ſailed from St Mary's river, Eaſt Florida, the 11th of September, for England. This concludes the final evacuation of that province, where very few Britiſh ſubjects now remain.

Elſinore, Nov. 19. The Willington, Blakey, drove on ſhore this morning near Snickerſteen, about two miles above this place, but got off without much damage. The ———, Felix, from Peterſburgh for Cadiz, is ſtranded on the coaſt of Norway; it is hoped the cargo will be ſaved. The Princeſs Sophia Magdalena, Captain Lango, ſailed this morning for Tranquebar and Canton. This day wind SSW. we wiſh it may favour this day's fleet down the Cattegat, being upwards of 200 ſail.

The Fortitude, Buchannan, from Leith for Hull, is loſt near the Alum Works at Lofthouſe.

Captain Dean, of the Maria, arrived in the river from Virginia, in lat. 39. 9. long. 51. 10. W. ſpoke the Greyhound, Maxfield, from Dublin to New York, out 29 days, all well; and in lat. 48. 25. long. 20. 13. W. ſpoke the Hope, Cunningham, from Philadelphia to L'Orient, out 33 days, all well.

It was reported yeſterday in the city, that the Duke of Deux-Ponts, the preſumptive heir to the Elector Palatine, and conſequently to Bavaria, who had originally ſtirred up the King of Pruſſia to oppoſe the exchange of the latter for the Auſtrian Netherlands, has actually conſented to paſs a part of the winter at the Court of Vienna, whither he will be accompanied by the Duke of Brunſwick. Should this report be founded in truth, there is great probability that the league of Berlin will prove ineffectual, and that the projected ſcheme of the exchange will take place, or at leaſt be attempted, and conſequently that all Europe may be involved in a war on that account.

The negociation which had been ſuppoſed to be begun for the reſtoration of the ſettlement of Negapatnam, which was taken from the Dutch during the courſe of the late war, is wholly dropt on the part of Holland; but whether from a reconſideration of its not being ſo valuable as they had conceived, or that they expect in a few years to re-enjoy it by ſome other means, is not known.

Government are getting into their hands with the utmoſt aſſiduity, in different parts of the iſland, all the oak timber which power and money can procuee. We do not plant, by any means, in proportion to the quantity we cut down.

PRICE of STOCKS, Dec. 6.

Bank Stock, —
5 per cent. Ann. 105 a ¼.
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 87 a ¾.
3 per cent. con. 69¼ a 70.
3 per cent. red. 69.
3 per cent. 1726, —
Long Ann. 21 a 1-16th.
Short Ann. 1778, 13¾ a 15-16ths.
South Sea Stock, —
3 per cent. Old Ann. 67¼ a ¾.
Ditto New Ann. —
Ditto 1751, —
India Stock, —
3 per cent. Ann. —
India Bonds paid, —
Ditto unpaid, 39 prem.
Navy Bills, —
Exch. Bills, 5 prem.
Lottery Tickets, 14 l. 19 s. a 18 s.

WIND AT DEAL,
Dec. 5. W. S. W.

EDINBURGH.

Extract of a letter from London, Dec. 6.

"The Princeſs Amelia, who is now in the 74th year of her age, is ſaid to be ſo very ill, as to be thought in great danger.

"Notwithſtanding the treaty entered into between France and Holland, and the offenſive tendency it is reported to have towards this country, the marriage between the Prince of Wales and the Princeſs of Orange is ſtill held as probable as ever. With reſpect to the Prince of Denmark, it ſeems to be a ſettled point, that he is to have one of the Royal family; but whether the Princeſs Royal or her ſiſter, he is to judge for himſelf.

"The difficulty there is in diſpoſing of the vacant blue ribbon, for neither the Marquis nor the Miniſter will give way, will in all probability be in ſome degree removed in a little time, the Earl of Bute, and the Duke of Leeds, who are both members of the order, being thought approximating very faſt towards their diſſolution!

"A diſcovery has, within theſe few days, been made in the political world, reſpecting the commercial treaty between Great Britain and France; and it now appears, that the copy of a treaty to be agreed on, as handed about in the confidential circles, is an entire new one, formed within this month, and not that in negotiation previous to the Duke of Dorſet's leaving Paris, which was rejected *in toto* by the French."

DR LESLIE *againſt* ALICIA MACKENZIE, *&c.*

Yeſterday, was determined before the Court of Seſſion, a cauſe of very conſiderable importance in point of law, as well as in reſpect of property. That our readers may be enabled to underſtand the nature and tendency of the action, it will be neceſſary for us to give a ſhort hiſtory of its riſe and progreſs.

In the year 1739, John Leſlie of Findraſſie died, leaving five ſons, Alexander, John, Robert, Abraham, and Charles. John the father appears to have been anxious to preſerve an eſtate, which had long been in his family; and, for that purpoſe, executed a deed of entail, together with bonds of proviſion in favour of the younger children. Theſe deeds were both challenged, and the tailzie ſet aſide, which had the effect of producing no ſmall diſagreement between Alexander, the eldeſt ſon, his mother, and four younger brothers.

Upon John Leſlie's death, he was ſucceeded by his ſon Alexander, who, in the 1744, married Jean Chiſholm, widow of John Mackenzie ſhipmaſter in Cromarty, by whom ſhe had three daughters, Alicia Mackenzie being the eldeſt. Jean Chiſholm, the wife of Alexander Leſlie, lived with him till 1754, when the died, leaving two ſons of her ſecond marriage, John and William. William, the ſecond ſon, died ſome time after his mother.

Miſs Alicia Mackenzie, upon her mother's death, became houſe-keeper to her father-in-law Mr Leſlie, and continued in that character down till his death, which happened in January 1783.

Upon the 16th of October 1776, Mr Leſlie executed two deeds in favour of Miſs Mackenzie. By the firſt, he gave and diſponed to her all his moveables, of whatever deſcription, which might pertain and belong to him, and be in his poſſeſſion at the time of his death, free from, and diſburdened of all his debts. By the ſecond deed, he obliges his heirs to make payment to Miſs Mackenzie of the ſum of 4000 l. Sterling, which is declared to bear intereſt from the term of Whitſunday 1766, and thereafter till payment. In conſequence of theſe deeds, Miſs Mackenzie was confirmed executrix to Mr Leſlie, and took inſeſtment upon the heritable bond, which ſhe afterwards conveyed to Mr Forbes merchant in London, who is married to one of her ſiſters, and who was alſo inſeft upon it on the 25th of March 1783.

Soon after this, an action was brought in the names of Dr Abraham Leſlie and Mr Charles Leſlie, the only ſurviving brothers of Mr Alexander Leſlie of Findraſſie, for ſetting aſide theſe deeds, in which Miſs Mackenzie and Mr Forbes were called as defenders.

After a variety of procedure, unneceſſary here to be mentioned, a very long proof was taken, and reported to the Court, upon which memorials were ordered for the parties, and afterwards a hearing in preſence, which took up the greateſt part of laſt as well as this week. The points chiefly inſiſted upon by the purſuers were, that the deeds under challenge had been impetrated from Mr Leſlie by Miſs Mackenzie, or others in her name, by fraud and circumvention, and through the weakneſs and facility of Mr Leſlie, and the undue influence which ſhe had over him; and that they were moſt irrational and unjuſt in themſelves. Another ground upon which they laid great ſtreſs, was, that if actual inceſt had not taken place between the father-in-law and daughter-in-law, yet ſuch indecent and unbecoming familiarities had been carried on between [illegible] as highly ſuſpicious. They likewiſe contended, that the harſhneſs and cruelty exerciſed upon Mr Leſlie's only ſon, John, who was alive at the time the deeds were executed, and who, from the bad treatment he received, was induced to enliſt as a common ſoldier, in which capacity he went to America, and died there about the 1768, was convincing proof of Miſs Mackenzie's having the entire and abſolute aſcendency over Mr Leſlie; and that ſhe could make him do any thing ſhe pleaſed, after having the power of ſtifling in him every feeling of humanity, and the natural affection of a parent towards an only ſon, who was apparent heir of an ancient family.

It was contended on the part of the defenders, that Mr Leſlie was ſo far from being weak and facile, that, on the contrary, he was a ſenſible man, and very alert in managing his own affairs: That there was no tailzie upon his eſtate, conſequently he could leave it to whom he pleaſed; and it was well known, that, on account of the diſagreement which had long ſubſiſted between him and his brothers, he would have choſe rather any body ſhould have got it than they: That Miſs Mackenzie had been his nurſe for many years, and he naturally thought ſhe was juſtly entitled to a ſuitable proviſion. As to the harſhneſs and cruelty complained of, as inflicted upon John, it was alledged, that he was not many degrees removed from an idiot; and that he had got ſuch a habit of wandering about through the country like a common beggar, that it became abſolutely neceſſary to uſe ſome ſeverity to keep him at home, which it was acknowledged, however, had rather been carried to exceſs, from the fiery and ungovernable temper of his ſiſter-in-law. The accuſation of inceſt they conſidered as a moſt unwarrantable attack upon the character of Miſs Mackenzie, and contended, that as it was a crime cognizable only by the criminal Court, it muſt firſt be diſcuſſed there, before it could be made a part in the civil action, to the effect of reducing the deeds in queſtion, eſpecially when carried the length pleaded for by the other party, that the deeds can have no force or effect whatever, as being granted *ob turpem cauſam*.

The Court took up this as a preliminary point in their deliberations of yeſterday. Several of their Lordſhips delivered opinions upon it, tending to ſhew, that the purſuers could not bring an action before the Court of Juſticiary againſt Miſs Mackenzie, for the crime of inceſt; becauſe, being a crime againſt the public, none but the public proſecutor could inſiſt in it. At the ſame time, they were equally clear, that the public proſecutor's declining to bring her to trial before the criminal Court, was no bar to the purſuer's going on with the preſent action, or of their Lordſhips judging in it.

This objection ſtated for the defenders, being thus over-ruled, many of their Lordſhips, at great length, entered into the merits of the cauſe itſelf, which they conſidered as very unfavourable for Miſs Mackenzie. Though they were by no means clear, that the inceſt was proved in ſuch a manner as would ſatisfy the minds of a Jury to bring in a verdict againſt her, yet they could not diſregard the proof altogether. The circumſtance of her lying ſo many years in the ſame room with Mr Leſlie, though in different beds, as acknowledged by the defenders themſelves, was highly indecent and unbecoming, as well as ſuſpicious. The cruel and unjuſtifiable treatment of her brother-in-law, John Leſlie, they alſo reprobated with the utmoſt abhorrence, as it was of ſuch a nature as to afford a convincing proof, that his father, tho' in general capable to manage his own affairs, when left to himſelf, yet was of ſo timid a nature as to be unable to reſiſt the turbulent ſpirit of Miſs Mackenzie, otherwiſe he could never have allowed his only ſon to be ſo uſed. The deeds themſelves, particularly the one for 4000 l. likewiſe afforded ſtrong proofs of Miſs Mackenzie's dominion over him. Indeed, they could ſcarcely conſider them as the deeds of Mr Leſlie, but her own; becauſe the bond for the 4000 l. being to bear intereſt during his own lifetime, he not only might have been ouſted of his eſtate, but left to ſtarve in a goal, after he had exhauſted his moveables, which was the only fund remaining in his own power. This was a deed ſo truly irrational, that no man in his right ſenſes could have ever thought of executing it. But, when to this was added, that no manner of proviſion whatever was made for the unhappy ſon John, who is proved to have been alive about two years after the deeds were granted, the matter appeared unnatural to the higheſt degree, even ſuppoſing him to have been as great an idiot as repreſented by the defenders, but which by no was the caſe, as appeared from the proof, as well as from his being received as a ſoldier in his Majeſty's ſervice. Upon all theſe grounds, their Lordſhips had no difficulty in reducing the deeds in queſtion. They alſo found the purſuers entitled to their expences.—Council for the purſuers, the Lord Advocate, Mr Alexander Abercrombie, and Mr Wolfe Murray; agent, Mr George Robinſon—Council for the defenders, Mr Alexander Wight, Mr George Buchan-Hepburn, Mr Alexander Elphinſtone, and Mr Robert Blair; agent Mr Alexander Mackenzie.

Mrs Aliſon Straton, wife of Mr William Bell ſenior, wine-merchant in Leith, died the 8th current.

On Tueſday morning, died at Carmunnock manſe, the Rev. Mr Joſeph Hodgſon, miniſter of that pariſh. His death is ſincerely regretted by an affectionate congregation.

On Tueſday laſt, died at Glaſgow, Mrs Eliſabeth Carmichael, ſpouſe of John Aliſton, Eſq; of Overhall, merchant in Glaſgow.

G. N. with the moſt ſincere acknowledgments for the opinion entertained of him, informs his Correſpondent, that he is *not* engaged.

Mr Robert Richardſon is appointed Secretary to the Britiſh Linen Company, in the room of Mr Walter Hogg, lately appointed Manager.

The Univerſity of Edinburgh has been pleaſed to confer the degree of Doctor in Divinity on the Rev. Mr John Scott, miniſter at Twyneholm.

A few days ago, a boy belonging to the charity work houſe here found ſome money on the ſtreet, which he very honeſtly carried to the Treaſurer.—It is to be hoped the poor boy will be properly rewarded.

Mr Knox, the aſſiduous promoter of the fiſheries, is now on a viſit to Greenock, Port-Glaſgow, and other ports in the weſt country, enquiring into the effects of the late laws reſpecting that intereſting ſubject.

The Forth, Ritchie, from Leith to Barcelona, is arrived at Alicant.

The Jenny, Captain Salmon, from Clyde, arrived at Hampton in Virginia the 30th of September. On the 24th ſhe met with a heavy gale of wind, by which Captain Salmon was waſhed overboard, and drowned.

The following is a copy of a letter from Mr Lunardi *to his guardian* [illegible] Campagni, *giving an account of his very dangerous aerial voyage from Glaſgow on Monday laſt.*

"MY HONOURED FRIEND,

"On my arrival here on Saturday after my firſt aſcenſion, I underſtood that all my friends in Glaſgow, Paiſley, and its environs, and indeed the public in general, had undergone very conſiderable uneaſineſs on my account, during my abſence on my aerial journey. To expreſs my feelings on this occaſion, and my gratitude for the many honours conferred upon me, I made a promiſe of reaſcending on the Monday following, without any ſubſcription whatever.

"The auſpicious morning being arrived, every thing was ready by ten o'clock for beginning the operation. Exactly at eleven, I was honoured with the attendance of the 27th regiment, as on the former occaſion, to ſupport the civil power in keeping the peace, and preſerving regularity; though, thanks to God, no riot or diſturbance ever happened at any of my experiments, the people being univerſally acquainted with my upright principles, and convinced of my intention to fulfil my promiſe in the moſt ample manner.

"My two ſmall caſks, containing one half of the ingredients for filling the balloon, were inſtantly ſet to work; but as, at half an hour after eleven, there were but very few people aſſembled, I was adviſed by ſeveral very reſpectable friends not to go on with the other, until a greater number of ſpectators ſhould arrive. The operation therefore went on but ſlowly, but at twelve, I ordered the large caſk to be ſet to work; by which means the balloon was ſufficiently inflated by half an hour after one.

"During this proceſs I could not help paying very particular attention to the different currents of wind, which indeed did alarm me very much. On this account I was obliged to decline the taking with me a young gentleman, of this place, only twelve years of age, but of undaunted ſpirit, and who might have been a very agreeable companion to me, had the weather been mild; but the voyage at this time was very dangerous, as I myſelf very ſoon experienced. For the ſame reaſon I was obliged with regret to refuſe the requeſt of Capt. Barns of the 27th regiment, who had ſeveral times earneſtly expreſſed to me his deſire of taking an aerial voyage, and at this time wiſhed to have gone in my place. The anſwer I gave him at preſent, however, was, "that I would not, on this day, ſend up any friend of mine, for all the gold in the world."

"The wind in the lower regions had all this time been ſhifting almoſt every five minutes; and in the ſpace of an hour, had gone round three fourths of the compaſs. The currents above were evidently W. and S. W. and E. and S. E. To avoid any danger from the church, I ordered the balloon to be carried to the end of the railing, and there I faſtened the gallery to it. The wind was high, and toſſed the balloon exceſſively: however I got into it, having all the inſtruments and proviſions I wanted there already. I deſired ſeveral officious gentlemen to let it go; but you cannot conceive, my dear friend, the attachment of every body here to me; how earneſtly they wiſhed to be near me, and offer me their ſervices in the moment of aſcenſion. I got up, however, about 50 feet from the ground, when the rope I had left looſe for my ſervants to give me the riſing power I wanted, when cleared of my friends below (which, however, proved impoſſible) entangled a gentleman, who, I ſince underſtand, is a miniſter; and, with the greateſt concern, I ſaw him dragged for a conſiderable way along the ground, till the rope was cut by my ſervant.

"It was now near 40 minutes after one o'clock, and my aſcent was not very rapid; as I could ſee the people below for ſix minutes. This time I employed in ſecuring the gallery to the balloon better than it had been done below; waving the flag and ſaluting the public. Soon after I loſt ſight of Glaſgow. The wind below was S. E. and I took my courſe to N. W. ſo that I was kept in view by every body. At 48 minutes after one, I was obliged to ſecure the compaſs and watch, and take hold of the upper hoop with both my hands; as the gallery was not only waving, but all to one ſide. The balloon being preſſed by two contrary winds, turned upon its axis at leaſt twelve times in ten ſeconds, and jumped up to a great height. It was now quite full; the inflammable air eſcaping very faſt from the neck, and I opened the valve beſides, when all at once, it fell down for a quarter of a mile, and there became ſtationary; it was now two-thirds full, and the ſilk below ſticking together, and driven with the violence of the wind, made a terrible and hideous noiſe; keeping the valve conſtantly open, ſo that I could hear the inflammable air whiſtle in eſcaping.

"At 52 minutes after one o'clock the balloon was prodigiouſly inclined to one ſide, and the gallery almoſt overturned, ſo that I was exceedingly alarmed, being obliged to hold the upper hoop, where the net terminated, faſt with both my hands. I then found myſelf attacked by two other contrary winds; the balloon turned with great velocity upon its axis, and jumped up about 100 feet, then began to deſcend with rapidity, ſo

that I could see the clouds below approached me very fast, and some passing very rapidly. When the gallery began to keep itself steady again, I endeavoured to put out both my anchors; the smallest fastened to a very long rope, and the biggest to a shorter one: I threw down two bottles I had full of water, and all the ballast at once, which did indeed check the rapidity of my descent, but could not give the balloon levity enough to rise again; the small anchor got hold of the earth, as well as the large one; I then suspended myself to the upper part of the gallery, letting the bottom of it receive the blow from the earth, which broke it in two parts, and I got a very violent shock, but happily am not hurt. It was just two o'clock when I descended. In the place where I alighted there was but very little wind, and the balloon stood perpendicular. Both the anchors having got hold of the ground, I could have come out of the car, and done every thing myself without any assistance; but I was immediately surrounded by a great many, who were all very ready to offer me their service, and did as much as was in their power to assist me, and take care even of the smallest thing.

"The Reverend Mr Lapslie, the minister of the parish in which I descended, was the first gentleman who reached me, and he very politely sent his servant to take care of the balloon, &c. and expressed his joy in having accidentally met with such an extraordinary piece of good fortune in meeting me. While I was going toward his house, accompanied by the whole multitude of people collected on that spot, we saw at a distance, a gentleman advancing very fast; this was Sir Alexander Stirling, who invited me and the minister to his house, where we were well entertained. But it is beyond the power of my pen to express the marks of this old gentleman, in having me at his house, in such an extraordinary way, and his expressions on the occasion.

"Mr Lapsley agreeably amused me while at dinner with a conversation upon aerostatic experiments. He seems to be a very intelligent gentleman, and has written a letter to a friend of his in Glasgow, a copy of which I inclose for your inspection, and which will enable you to form some judgment of his sensibility.

"At seven o'clock in the evening, a chaise being ready, I took leave of Sir Alexander, and was accompanied by Mr Lapsley to Glasgow. I went immediately to the play, where I was received with great applause.

"This day I was entertained at the Saracen's Head, with a very spendid dinner, by Provost French, Mr Ingram, and several of the best citizens, where I was presented with the freedom of the town, and made Knight of the Cape. Indeed, I am very much caressed through all Scotland, so that if I be attached to this nation, you cannot think it any wonder. Ah! I should be happy if my mother was still alive.——Pray give my love to my sisters, and believe me to be yours, &c."

Copy of a letter from the Rev. JAMES LAPSLEY, *to a friend in Glasgow.*

"DEAR SIR, *Manse of Campsie, 6th Dec.*

"Although you and my friends in Glasgow have had the advantage in seeing Mr Lunardi ascend twice into the atmosphere, I will not suffer you now to boast too much of your good fortune, for he has done me the honour of paying me a visit in my own parish. I saw him descend from his car; and was pleased with the remarks of the villagers upon his descent. The people of Campsie were too bold to be afraid of him, and they are above disguising what their feelings lead them to express.

"Yesterday afternoon, whilst I was walking through my parish, visiting the sick, and rather inclined to be pensive from reflecting upon the scenes of distress to which I had been witness, my attention was suddenly arrested by a confused humming noise, which seemed all at once to spring out of the earth towards the south; but as my view from that quarter was intercepted by a clump of trees, I walked on, and for two minutes I had it not in my power to inquire from what cause it proceeded.

"An old woman, who at that moment joined me, hearing the noise at the same time, took some pains to convince me, that it was the buzz of those spirits and elves who, before Christmas Eve, hold their meetings in sequestered dales, lamenting their lost power.

"You will easily believe that such a wayward fancy was not then agreeable to my present humour. I left her, and hastened to a rising ground, when I now heard distinctly several people shouting aloud, "Yonder he comes! Yonder he comes!" Turning round, I beheld the balloon sailing majestically almost over my head. Mr Lunardi was then standing in his car, and waving his banner. His distance from the earth seemed to be about 400 yards. The people were coming from all quarters. Their acclamations were every moment waxing louder and louder; and the farmers, in imitation of Mr Chisholm, were shouting vehemently, "Lunardi, come down." And I, along with the rest, invited him to descend.

"I am rather inclined, however, to think that he did not hear me, owing to the whistling of the wind, it being very violent during the whole of his excursion. However, as he had resolved not to go far, we were indulged in our request; for, exactly at two o'clock, he descended at Easter Mockcroft on the banks of the Glasart, on the estate of Sir Archibald Edmistone of Duntreath in the parish of Campsie, nine English miles and a half N. N. E. of Glasgow.

"When I saw the balloon first, which was about two minutes and a half before two o'clock, it appeared to be very much agitated, turning round its axis, while it was floating through clouds of air; and the day being hazy, it resembled very much, in appearance, the full moon seen through a darkened glass labouring in an eclipse. Sometimes it appeared of an ash, sometimes of a copper colour; sometimes even darker; owing to the different shades reflected from the Campsie Fells. About half a minute, however, before he alighted, the sun came out behind a cloud, and shone directly upon the balloon: every colour became distinctly seen; the various stripes of the flag became vivid; his regimentals and the decorations of the car affording a varied and most beautiful spectacle, according to the play of the different rays of the sun; and as my view on the north was bounded by the Campsie Fells, whose tops were then covered with blue mist, the balloon appeared, as it were, to come out of the mist, and descend in a sunbeam.

"As the balloon was perfectly unexpected by me, and as at the very first it appeared in all its grandeur, I confess, without hesitation, that the pleasure I had in seeing it sailing thro' the clouds, and descending in our sequestrated vale, was a pleasure mixed with some degree of pain. I laboured, as it were, under the grandeur of the object, and strove to compare it to something I had seen; but I failed. However, a young gentleman happening to come up to me at that moment, whose imagination was not so overpowered, asked me if I thought it did not resemble the description given by Milton:

——Nigh at hand
Hung high with diamond flaming, and with gold.
Thither came Uriel, gliding through the even
On a sun-beam, swift as a shooting star
In Autumn thwarts the night.——

I told the gentleman that this discription was but a conceit in Milton, not ill pleased, however, to find that we had got some likeness, though fanciful, to compare it to.

As he had descended to within half a mile where I stood, I immediately hastened to welcome Mr Lunardi, and to give him all the assistance in my power. The whole country seemed to be alive, running unto him with the same kind intention; and I perceived, with pleasure, that curiosity was a principle not confined alone to the breasts of the higher born and better educated class of men; for, in passing a little cottage, I heard a weaver expressing the most vehement desire to see this great sight, and crying to his wife to "take care of the bairns." I believe, however, that she at this time forgot that ever she had promised him obedience, and set out, repeating his commands to the servant, who in her turn exclaimed with rage, that "she wondered what people imagined servants were "made of: Let those who got bairns take care of them; for, "by her faith, she would both see and touch Lunardi with "the best of them;" and threw the child from her. Perhaps, upon another occasion, we might have taken time to tell her, that she expressed herself too strongly; but yesterday every thing was her friend.

"During my going from the rising ground, where I first saw it, to the vale where it alighted, I sometimes lost sight of the car, by the gentle swells which intervened, but never lost [illegible] some yards from the ground, betwixt the darkness of the day, and the blue mist of the mountains, under whose shade it was; it had the appearance of an object rising out of the sea, resembling the sun when he makes his first appearance in a spring morning out of a thick fog. Before I arrived, it assumed a new shape,—that of a pear, or inverted cone; Mr Lunardi then standing in his car, about four feet from the ground; some people assisting him to get out, and others holding the rope, in order to prevent him from being dragged along by the strength of the balloon, which was hovering above him.

"It was about six minutes after two when I got up. More than forty people were before me. A vast multitude now assembled from every quarter. The shepherd forsook his flock; the farmer left his plough, and the traveller his journey; so that, in less than a quarter of an hour, there were many hundreds gazing with astonishment at the daring adventurer. Every body was pleased, and every body wished to lend him their aid. Mr Lunardi hardly had occasion to ask for assistance, nor I to encourage them to give it. In half an hour after two the balloon was emptied, and the netting, basket, and other apparatus, packed up, and all ready to march off the field:

"Persons from different parishes now wished each to have the honour of his going to their particular village. However, as I had asked him to do me the favour of taking some refreshment at the manse of Campsie, my parishioners were not then to be gainsaid; and, in a sort of triumph, we began our journey, when Sir Alexander Stirling of Glorat, one of my principal heritors, came running up, welcoming Mr Lunardi, and insisting on his going to Glorat; which invitation we accepted of, as being nearer than the manse, and we set out for that gentleman's house in the following order:

"A little pretty boy carrying the banner; next came Mr Lunardi dressed in his regimentals, attended by the Baronet and myself.—We were followed by a stout fellow carrying the anchor; then by four youths supporting the car; and then by six stout men bearing the balloon; escorted by a vast number of people of all denominations. We had not indeed the ringing of bells, but we were cheered by the hearty acclamations, and repeated huzzas of many hundreds of the villagers expressing their joy at the unexpected visit.

"In going for the baronet's, we had to cross over the bridge of Glasfart, where about thirty young blooming lasses had ranged themselves on each side, to have a sight of this comely adventurer. All of them appeared well pleased: There was one, however, not the least lovely of the number, whose sensibility led her to express herself more strongly than the rest, "How pretty he is! I wish I had been with him." Mr Lunardi was too attentive to let slip an opportunity to say a civil thing to our fair countrywoman. He patted her cheek, whispering, "My angel, and so should I." Whatever things this young woman may be disposed to forget, I will engage for it she will never forget the looks she received from her companions at that instant; nor the sensations she felt when her cheek was pressed by the hand of this bold Italian.

"We had now arrived within a few hundred yards of the house of Glorat. We stopped at a little hamlet pointing out some prospects to our new visitor; when I perceived an old woman, whose frailties would not permit her to run with the multitude, eagerly looking at him. She first examined the flag; then she touched his clothes, and his body; and having heard him speak, rubbing her eyes, she said, "I am sure there is nae "glammary here; but oh, Sirs, its a fair pity he should be a "Papist." She was immediately checked by an old grey-headed man, who, in the pride of his heart exclaimed, "Be "he Papist, or be he Pagan, fair fa' him: tho' a' the kirk "were here, and Lord George at their head, I would drink "his health, and here's to him." Then addressing himself to me, "Oh, Sir, I am an auld man, I am aulder than the "Union; I have seen mony things, but the like of this I ne-"ver saw. I have seen Marr's year, and the Highlandman's "Raid; and about twelve years syne, I gaed o'er by yonder "(pointing to the Canal) to see ships sailing thro' dry land; "but the like of this I never saw. Dinna ye think the world "will soon be at an end?"

"We arrived at Glorat at three o'clock, where we dined; and having drunk a few glasses of wine and coffee, a post chaise was got; and as I was obliged to come to Glasgow that night upon business, I begged to accompany him. We set out from Glorat at half an hour after six, and arrived in Glasgow a little before eight. Mr Lunardi alighted at the Tontine amidst the huzzas of a vast concourse of people who had assembled, anxious to express their joy at his arrival.

"Having promised his friends before he set out in his aerial excursion, that he would certainly, if possible, be at the play that night, he immediately therefore got dressed; went to the house about nine; and was again received by the acclamations of the young, the gay, and the fair.

"P. S. As I was obliged to leave the town without seeing you, I took the liberty of writing to you my observations on his descent, and the varied sentiments of curiosity and surprise which the spectators expressed;—perhaps it may contribute to your amusement in an idle hour."

PASSED THE SOUND,

Nov. 19. Mary and Michael of Newcastle, Pendleton, from Memel, for Leith, with balks.
Hope of Anstruther, Wilkie, from ditto, for Anstruther, ditto.
Forster of Shields, Gray, from Riga, for Yarmouth, with ditto.
Thetis of Kincardine, Bain, from Copenhagen, for Kincardine.
Dolphin of Dundee, Kid, from Riga, for Dundee, with flax, &c.
Fortitude of ditto, Robertson, from Dantzick, for ditto, with ashes.
Three Friends of Borrowstounness, Scott, from Konigsberg, for London, with oats and plank.
Betsey and Brothers of Leith, Wishart, from St Petersburgh, for Leith, with sundries.
David of ditto, Bridges, from ditto, for ditto, with ditto.
Betty of Aberdeen, Anderson, from Dantzick, for Aberdeen, ditto.
Jane of Dundee, Spink, from St Petersburgh, for Dundee, flax.
Polly of Peterhead, Hutchinson, from Memel, for London, timber.
Bachelor of Saltcoats, Glasgow, from ditto, for Dublin, with balks.
Nancy of Carron, Manuel, from Rostuck, for Hull, with barley.
20. Wallace and Gardine of Arbroth, Morrison, from Riga, for Arbroath, with flax and seed.
Riga Merchant of ditto, Bowei, from ditto, for ditto, with ditto.
Mathison of Montrose, Jolly, from ditto, for Montrose, with ditto.
Kattie of Kirkcaldy, Guthrie, from ditto, for Kirkcaldy, with ditto.

P. S. The Willington of Newcastle, Black, from Memel, with timber, to Newcastle, got aground this morning, about a mile above Elsinore.

RESNORE, *16th Nov.* 1785.—Wind S. S. W.—*Nov.* 22. Wind N. W.

WALTER WOOD.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, December 9. Thomas and Jean, Fairclath, from Wells, with grain; Fortune, Charteris, from Gottenburgh, with deals and iron; Jennet, Stevenson, from Thornham, with grain; Harriot, Gibson, from Lynn, with grain; Diligence, Butler, from London, with goods; Friendship Packet, Campbell, from ditto, with ditto; Katie, Guthrie, from Riga, with goods.—10. Dundas, Duncan, from Campvere, with oak plank; Friends Good well, Crawford, from ditto, in ballast; Temple, Bridges, from ditto, with flax, &c.; Bazile, Buchanan, from Gottenburgh, with deals and iron; Petersburgh, Brown, from Wibeach, with grain; Lady Elizabeth, Gray, from Stockton, with cheese; Friendship, Donaldson, from Hull, with goods.

SAILED, December 10. Peggy, Dawson, for Alloa, in ballast; and sundry coasters.

PANTHEON.

MARY'S CHAPEL, DECEMBER 10. 1785.

THE Society have appointed the questions aftermentioned as their immediate subjects of debate, and, in point of arrangement, agreeable to the dates affixed to each, viz.

Dec. 15.—Which is the greater cause of Discontent—Disappointment in Love, or Loss of Fortune?
22.—Whether is Ignorance or Abuse of Knowledge, the Cause of more Misfortunes?
29.—Whether has Printing or Navigation been of more Benefit to Mankind
Jan. 5.—Which is more Destructive of Domestic Happiness—the Scolding Wife or Drunken Husband?
12.—Whether is Indifference or Sensibility more conducive to the Happiness of the possessor?
19.—Which has contributed most to Extend Man's Power—the Use of Metals, or his Dominion over the Animal Creation?

N. B. To the *last* question in the above arrangement, a MEDAL will be given to the Gentleman who shall deliver the best Speech, in point of COMPOSITION.——*None but Visitors to Compete.*

The time and place of meeting, and delivery of tickets, as usual.

DAVID SHEPPARD AND SON

HAVE just got to hand, a fresh Assortment of GREEN and BLACK TEAS, &c. which they are selling at the following prices, at their shop above the head of Strichan's Close.

TEAS, per lib.

Good Hyson Green,	7 s.	Middling Congou,	4 s.
Fine ditto ditto,	8 s.	Good Middling ditto,	4 s. 6 d.
Superfine ditto ditto,	9 s.	Very good ditto,	5 s.
Superfine Gun Powder Green,	14 s.	Fine Congou,	5 s. 6 d.
		Superfine ditto,	5 s. 9 d.
Finest Shushong,	6 s.	Finest Bohea,	2 s. 2 d.
Ordinary Congou,	3 s. 9 d.		

Ground Cocoa, 6 d.—Cocoa Shell and Nut, 2 s. 6 d.—Chocolate at 3 s.: 3 s. 6 d.: 4 s. 6 d. and 5 s. per lib.—Raw Coffee, 1 s. 10 d. and 2 s.—Fine Roasted Coffee, 2 s. 6 d. and 3 s. per lib.

WINES, per dozen.

Good Red Port,	17 s.	Finest Old Mountain ditto,	19 s.
Finest Old Red Port,	19 s.	Good Lisbon,	18 s.
New Sherry,	15 s.	Ordinary ditto,	16 s.
Older ditto,	17 s.	White Port,	18 s.
Finest Old ditto,	19 s.	Bottles returned.	
Good Malaga,	16 s.		

SPIRITS, per Gallon.

Best Single Rum,	7 s.	Genuine Dutch ditto,	16 s.
Genuine Double Rum,	9 s.	Genuine Double Rum Shrub,	9 s.
Best Single Brandy,	7 s.		
Fine Coniac Brandy,	10 s.	Best Cherry Brandy,	9 s.
Good Geneva,	6 s.	Fine Whisky Shrub,	6 s. 6 d.
Best Dutch Gin,	8 s.	Proof Whisky,	4 s. 6 d.
Best English Cinnamon,	9 s.		

Finest New Kent Hops, at 1 s. 4 d. per lib.

With Groceries of all kinds, of the very best quality, and sold on the most reasonable terms.

☞ Commissions from the Country punctually answered.

MRS RAFTON begs leave to inform the PUBLIC, that she has taken and furnished the House lately occupied by Lord Kennet in the Horse Wynd; where any genteel Family, or single Gentleman, may be commodiously lodged, on very reasonable terms, by applying to herself.

Carron, Dec. 9. 1785.

VESSELS bound for ROTEERDAM may be accommodated with FREIGHT to Dort, by application to the Carron Company at Carron.

ATTORNIES TAX.

Haddington, 8th Dec. 1785.

THE PROCURATORS before the Sheriff Court of this county, having taken into their consideration, the late act of Parliament imposing a tax upon Attornies and mandates, and being of the same opinion with their brethren of Berwickshire, and other counties, as to the hardships arising from the laying on of such taxes, they have therefore unanimously appointed one of their number to appear and act for them at the General Convention advertised to be held at Edinburgh upon the 23d current.

JUDICIAL SALE

Of LANDS in the Shire of DUMFRIES.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the Parliament or New Session of Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 25th day of January next, betwixt the hours of four and six afternoon,

The remaining Lots of the Lands and others, which belonged to JOHN GRAHAM of Corrielaw.

LOT II. The Lands of Burnhead, and teinds thereof, lying in the parish of Tundergarth, and shire of Dumfries.

The proven free rent, after all deductions, is L. 21: 2 s 0, and is to be set up at L. 600 Sterling.

This farm which is situated upon the water of Milk, consists of about 130 acres, all arable and meadow, and mostly inclosed. It is capable of great improvement, being in the neighbourhood of limestone quarries.

LOT III. A DECREET of ADJUDICATION, at the instance of the above John Graham, against John Carruthers of Bogside, adjudging the lands of Bogside, for payment of two accumulated sums, which amount, with interest at Candlemas last, to 467 l. 18 s. Sterling, and which is now to be set up at 120l. Sterling.

The articles of sale, and progress, may be seen at the office of Mr Kirkpatrick, depute-clerk of session; and further information will be got, by applying to Mungo Dobie writer in Lockerby, factor upon the subjects.

TRUSTEES OFFICE, EDINBURGH, Dec. 1785.

WHEREAS, various propositions have of late been made to the Commissioners and Trustees for Fisheries, Manufactures, and Improvements in Scotland, for conducting the business of the Hall in Edinburgh, opened by them in the year 1766, for the reception and sale of Linens, and of which they have hitherto defrayed the greater part of the expence, the Trustees being desirous to render the institution as generally beneficial to those in the linen trade as possible, notice is hereby given, that if the Linen Manufacturers and Dealers in the different towns, shall be of opinion, that the present mode of conducting the Hall business can be any ways amended or improved, such proposals to that purpose as any of them may think proper to transmit to this office, on or before the 15th of January next, will be duly attended to. And after the Trustees shall have fixed upon that plan which appears the most eligible, public intimation of it will be given.

As it appears, however, that some do not know in what manner the Hall is *at present* constituted, it is thought proper to give a short account thereof. The keeper is appointed and his salary paid by the Trustees. He is expressly prohibited from buying or selling on his own account, and he attends at the Hall from ten forenoon till three afternoon, and from four till six afternoon, from the first of May to the first of September, and from ten forenoon till three afternoon only, during the rest of the year. The proprietor may attend in person and sell his goods if he pleases, in which case he has only to pay one fourth per cent. of the sales towards the Hall rent; or the proprietor can consign his goods to any person he chuses as a factor, to sell for him. The late Mr George Goldie obtained almost the whole employment in this way, and became, as it were, sole factor at the Hall. His charge was as follows, viz. one half per cent. for insurance of the goods against fire, two and a half per cent. commission on the sales; and one and a half per cent. but this in the option of the proprietor, for insuring the payment of all debts, when the goods were sold on credit.

By order of the Trustees,
ROB. ARBUTHNOT, Sec.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JOHN NISBET, Merchant in Glasgow.

THAT the said JOHN NISBET having, with concurrence of Alexander Nisbet, merchant of [illegible], to the Lords of Council and Session for a sequestration, their Lordships, on 9th December current, sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of the said John Nisbet, and appointed a meeting of the creditors to be held at Glasgow, in the house of Peter M'Kinlay vintner there, upon Wednesday the 21st of December curt. at 12 o'clock mid-day, in order to name an interim factor on the sequestrated estate; and also granted commission to the sheriff-depute of the shire of Lanark, or his substitutes, and failing them, to any justice of the peace of the shire, or the Magistrates of Glasgow, to attend the meeting, receive production of the grounds of debt, and creditors oaths required by the statute, and to sign the minutes of the meeting along with the preses, and acceptance of the factor to be chosen at the meeting; of which this intimation is given to all concerned, in terms of the statute.

NOTICE.

THE CREDITORS of the deceased ANDREW BURN, merchant in Dunbar, or persons properly authorised to act for them, are desired to meet in Bailie Lorimer's, in Dunbar, on Saturday the 17th day of December current, to consider of a proposal to be made to them by his representatives. Not to be repeated.

NOTICE

To the DEBTORS and CREDITORS of the late JAMES DONALD Druggist in Edinburgh.

SUCH as were indebted to the said James Donald are requested to pay up their debts to David Donald at the Laboratory, north side of the Guard, Edinburgh, executor confirmed to the said James Donald his brother; and all such as have demands against the said James Donald are desired to transmit exact notes of the same to the said David Donald, in order that the same may be settled.

N. B. Business carried on at said Laboratory as formerly.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

THE division of the funds of ALEXANDER WATT, Merchant in Dunbar, is postponed for furteen days from this date, that the Creditors who have neglected to produce their grounds of debt, with oaths on the verity thereof, may do so, in the hands of Francis Strachan, writer to the signet; with certification that the funds, after the elapse of said fourteen days, will be divided without any further notice.

December 10. 1785.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JAMES and HENRY HARDIES, late Tenants in Currie.

THAT some questions having occurred relative to the distribution of the funds in the hands of the trustees for the Creditors, which it is necessary to determine, before a final division can take place; and as it is for the interest of all concerned, to come to an immediate determination on these points, it is requested that the whole Creditors will meet in John's Coffeehouse, on Wednesday next the 14th instant, at 12 o'clock noon. And it is intreated that those who cannot attend personally, will authorise others to attend for them, properly authorised to vote on the matters which will be laid before the meeting.

NOTICE

To the CREDITORS of JOHN BUCHANAN, jun. Merchant in Greenock.

THAT at a General Meeting of the said Creditors, held at Greenock on the 29th November last, in consequence of public advertisements, for the purpose of chusing a trustee on the sequestrated estate of the said John Buchanan, in terms of the act of Parliament of the 23d of his present Majesty, *Hugh Crawford, jen.* writer in Greenock, was elected trustee; *who*, therefore, in terms of the above statute, hereby requires the whole creditors to lodge with him, their claims and vouchers or grounds of debt, with their oaths for proving the same, against the 10th July next, when nine kalendar months from the date of the sequestration expire; certifying those creditors who shall neglect to comply with this requisition, that they shall not be entitled to any share in the first distribution of the debtor's estate.

The said Hugh Crawford further *intimates* to the creditors, That as he examinations of their debtor, directed by the statute, could not be completed, while the estate was under the management of an interim factor, in respect his books had not been brought to a balance, the first Tuesday of February next has been appointed for that purpose, within the Court-hall of Paisley, at twelve o'clock noon.

SALE OF LANDS IN BERWICK-SHIRE.

To be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the ExchangeCoffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Monday the 12th December 1785, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

THE Lands and Estate of ANGELRAW, lying in the parish, and within three miles of the town of Greenlaw, consisting of 200 acres or thereby, and paying of yearly rent 150 l. Sterling. The lease thereof expires at Whitsunday 1786, and an additional rent has been offered. The lands hold of the Crown, are all inclosed and subdivided, of a good soil, and capable of farther improvements, having ready access to lime by the Greenlaw turnpike-road. There is on the premisses a mansion-house, with garden and orchard, and a complete farm-steading. The teinds are valued.

ALSO, the Farm and Lands of REEDYLOCH, lying in the parish of Edrom, within three miles of the town of Dunse, consisting of 150 acres, or thereby, paying of yearly rent 100 l. Sterling, and holding of a subject superior for payment of 1 l. Scots of feu duty.

The lands are of a very good soil, lying along the north side of Blackadder water, all inclosed and subdivided. The farm-steading is very complete, being built a few years ago.

The rentals, progress of writs (which are clear) and conditions of sale, are to be seen in the hands of John Cockburn writer in Dunse; or by applying to William Pringle writer, at Mr Cornelius Elliot's, writer to the signet.

TO be SOLD, by public roup, or auction, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday 21st December 1785, betwixt the hours of six and seven afternoon.

I. The Barony of CLOWDEN, *alias* NEWARK, lying in the parish of Kirkpatrick-Irongray, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, comprehending the lands and farms of Rowton Bridge, Upper, Nether, and Mid Daiwhairn, Lagg, Rouchtree Hallhill, Cobboxholm, Newark Braes, Whinnyhill, Inglestone, Gateside, or Rirkpatrick and Clowden, with the corn, barley, and wheat mills, a salmon-fishing in the river Clowden, and the vice patronage of the parish of Kirkpatrick-Irongray.

This estate is of a remarkable good soil, well inclosed and subdivided with thriving full-grown hedges. It is at present in good condition, and there is sufficiency of shell-marl upon it to keep it so. It contains about 1870 acres, whereof 1500 are arable and meadow, about 90 wood land, and the remainder very good pasture. The present rent is 881 l. 6 s. 1 d. Sterling; but a considerable rise may be depended on at the expiry of the current leases. It holds of the Crown, and stands rated in the cess-books at 1360 l. 10 s. Scots. The teinds are valued, and the purchaser will have right to them.

The woods are well inclosed, and very thriving. At last cutting they sold for upwards of 700 l. Sterling, exclusive of the woods on Hallhill, which are presently fit for sale.

This estate is pleasantly situated on the banks of the river Clowden, within three miles of the town of Dumfries; and it has many delightful situations upon it for building a mansion-house, which would command the view of the rivers Nith and Clowden, the town and port of Dumfries, the whole gentlemens seats in that rich and populous neighbourhood, the Solway Frith, and the Cumberland hills.

N. B. Mr W. Black, at Nando's Coffeehouse, London, can give a full description of this estate.

II. The Lands of Over and Nether BARNCLEUGHS, lying in the said parish and county, within a mile and a half of Clowden, consisting of about 200 acres, whereof 160 are arable, and 19 moss, where there is an inexhaustible quantity of shell-marl.

These Lands are all sufficiently inclosed and subdivided with good stone walls. The present rent is only 50 l.; but, when the current lease [illegible] a considerable rise will be got from them.

The teinds are valued at 128[illegible].

III. The Lands and Estate of GELSTON, lying in the parishes of Kelton and Buittle, and county aforesaid, comprehending the farms of Boreland and Gelston, with the mill and mill-lands; and Craigley in the parish of Kelton, and Cuil in the parish of Buittle, containing about 1360 acres, all of an exceeding rich quality, well inclosed and subdivided with stone walls and full-grown fencible hedges.

On this estate there is a good mansion-house and offices, with a garden and orchard, and some thriving plantations; and an inexhaustible quantity of shell-marl for improving the same, and for sale to the neighbouring heritors.

The estate is let to good tenants, at about 600 l. Sterling of yearly rent. The whole holds of the Crown, and the lands of Boreland afford a freehold qualification on the old extent. The teinds are valued, and the purchaser will have right to them in the parish of Buittle, and to a current tack of the teinds in the parish of Kelton.

The situation of Gelston is very convenient and inviting; being within three miles of the sea-port of Auchcairn, on the Solway Frith, and two miles of the great military road leading from Carlyle to Portpatrick, to both of which there are good roads.

IV. These parts of the Barony of GLASNOCK, lying in the parish of Penninghame and county of Wigton, comprehending the farms of Over and Nether Glashocks, Killeal, Kirkchrist, and Killymore, with a salmon-fishing in the river Bladnoch, and the superiority of the lands of Drummory and Carsbuie, lying in the parish of Kirkcowan, and county of Wigton.

These are good grazing lands both for black cattle and sheep. The present rent, including the feu-duties in Kirkcowan parish, is only 114 l. 12 s. 9 d. 6 12ths; but the tenants paid large grassums in 1766, when their leases commenced; so in 1787, when they expire, a great rise may be depended on, large offers being already made. The teinds are valued; and the tenants pay all the public burdens, stipend excepted.

V. The Farm of CULSCADDEN, in the parish of Sorbie and county of Wigtown, also part of the said barony of Glasshock, let at 160 l. per annum, consisting of about 290 acres, all good arable land, except about 15 acres, lying on the Bay of Wigtown, and having a safe port for exporting the produce of the lands.

This farm is all inclosed and subdivided, has within it an inexhaustible quantity of shell-marl, and sea-shells; and the kelp on the shore yields from ten to twelve guineas every third year.

The teinds are valued.

The title deeds, conditions of sale, tacks, rentals, plans, and measurements of the several estates before mentioned, will be seen in the hands of William Campbell writer to the signet, Edinburgh. And for further information, apply to Alexander Farquharson accomptant in Edinburgh, who has power to sell by private bargain.

John Linton in Gateside, near Dumfries, will shew the estate of Clowden, Mr Heron, jun. of Ingleston, the estate of Gelston, and Mr Cockburn at Cree-bridge the lands in Wigtownshire.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE OF THE ESTATE OF REDCASTLE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the New Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, upon Monday, the 26th of June next, at six o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of REDCASTLE, lying in the parishes of Kilernan and Kilmuir Wester, and county of Ross. These lands hold of the Crown, and are valued in the Cess-books of the county at 1491 l. At a moderate conversion of the victual, they yield of yearly rent about 1200 l. Sterling; and being very extensive, and still in their natural state, they are capable of great improvement.—Their situation is uncommonly agreeable. They lie along the navigable Frith of Beaulie, which bounds them on the south for the space of about five miles. They are distant from the borough of Inverness only about two miles. The soil is of an exceeding good quality, dry and healty; and owing to the south exposure, the crops are more early than in the most southerly parts of Scotland. The mansion-house is fit to accommodate a large family. The gardens are extensive, and yield fruit of all kinds in great plenty early, and of the best quality.—There is a considerable salmon fishing upon the estate, and white fish and shell fish of all kinds. The low country game upon it is plenty, and all sorts of Highland game within a few miles of it. There is some natural wood, and the plantations upon the estate are extensive, and in thriving condition.

Lieutenant John Mackenzie at Inverness will shew the lands, and the rental, title-deeds, and articls of roup, are to be seen in the hands of John Tait, writer to the signet, Shakespeare's Square, Edinburgh; and to whom any person may apply, who wishes to purchase by private bargain.

UPON Tuesday the 10th January next, betwixt the hours of twelve and one mid-day, there is to be SOLD by public roup, on the ground of the lands,

All and Whole the Sixth Part of the Town

and Lands of WESTERTOWN of TILLYCOULTRY, called CAIRNTOWN, with houses, biggings, yards, parts, and pertinents.

Also, that Piece of LAND in the haugh of Wester Tillycoultry, as marched off, consisting of five acres or thereby. Also, all and whole that part of Land called BUTTS and WET FURROWS, lying in the crofts of Wester Tillycoultry, measuring two acres one rood fourteen falls, deducing fifteen falls taken off the north end of the Butts for a road. Also, that Piece of Ground in said croft, called SWAMPY MEADOW, measuring one acre, eight falls. Also, all and whole one just and equal third part *pro indiviso* of the late Charles Barclay Maitland's Run-rigg Lands, on the south side of the town of Wester Tillycoultry, and on the east side of the burn thereof. Also, the six falls of GROUND, marked off from the head of the said Butts; all as presently possessed by James Drysdale.

For further particulars, or those inclining to make a private bargain may apply to John Campbell, writer in Stirling.

FEU-DUTIES to be SOLD, And GROUND to be FEUED,

In the neighbourhood of the Register Office, Edinburgh.

TO be SOLD by public roup, in the house of Charles Walker vintner, Writers Court, Edinburgh, on Friday the 16th December curt. between the hours of six and seven in the evening,

About THREE HUNDRED POUNDS Sterling of the yearly FEU DUTIES in St James's Square, and neighbourhood thereof, to be exposed together, or in separate lots, from 50 l. to 10 l. as purchasers shall chuse. If in one lot, to be set up at twenty years purchase; and if in separate lots, to be set up at twenty-one years purchase.

The progress of writs and conditions of sale, to be seen in the hands of Mr Alexander Keith, writer to the signet, who has power to conclude a private bargain before the day of the roup.

And to be Feued, a number of Areas for building on, close adjoining to the said Square, all *without the Royalty*. For particulars apply to Mr Keith, or to the proprietor Mr Ferguson, Buchannan's Court, Lawn Market, Edinburgh.

A STORE FARM of about 1600 Acres,

To LET and enter to at Whitsunday first, viz.

THE Farm of BLACKHOPE near Pennycuick, as lately possessed by Mr Simpson. It is a dry soil and remarkable for fattening and breeding sheep. The stock now upon it will be sold to the incoming tenant, if he inclines; and, to prevent trouble, no less than 160 l. per annum, the former rent, will be accepted of.

N. B. Beside which, about 300 acres fenced with stone dykes, and called Primrose Old Inclosures, are to let and enter to immediately, for pasture or tillage. Enquire of Mr Young writer, West Bow, Edinburgh, or of Mr Clarke, at Summerside farm, near Dalkeith.

FARMS IN ROXBURGH-SHIRE.

TO be LET for such number of years as may be agreed on, and entry to be at Whitsunday 1786,

That Farm called HOWNAM-MAINS, the ten Husband Lands of Hownam, and the Mill and Mill-lands of Howmains, [illegible]

The Lands of [illegible]

The Lands of West Grange, and Burweins.

The Lands of [illegible] in the parish of Hownam.

The Kelso quarter of Swinside, and Berrykirk quarter of Swinside jointly lying in the parish of Oxnam.

Proposals for the above farms may be given in to Mr Erskine clerk to the signet, at Edinburgh, or to Mr Ker, at Broomlands, near Kelso; and all proposals not accepted, shall be kept secret

SUPERIORITIES IN FIFE TO SELL, AND A FARM TO LET.

TO be SOLD by private bargain, the SUPERIORITY of the Lands of Kinnynmond, and North and East Auchmuirs, lying within the parish of Kinglassie, and county of Fife. The valued rent of these lands amount to 465 l. Scots, and pay of yearly feu-duty 28 l. Sterling.

ALSO,

To be LET together, or in parcels, for such number of years as may be agreed on, not exceeding nineteen, and entered to at Martinmas 1786,

The FARM of URQUHART, in the parish of Dunfermline, consisting of 270 acres, or thereby, divided into 20 inclosures, lying immediately on the west side, and very near the town of Dunfermline, from which there are five good roads of communication from different parts of the town to the farm, which is a great advantage either to the inhabitants of the town, who may incline to take part of the lands, or to the tenant, who can easily carry dung from any part of the town to the farm. There is a new and complete set of houses, and the farm is in good order. The incoming tenant will enter to 12 acres of fallow, which will get three ploughings, also 19 acres of foggage, on the 20th July, 1786.

Proposals in writing to be given in to Mr Beatson at Lochgelly, by Kinghorn, or to Sir Gilbert Elliot, Bart. the proprietor, at Minto, or Mr Brown, his factor there, by Hawick. Robert Taylor, or David Christie, the present tenants, will show the grounds. A person will be at Urquhart every day, from the 16th to the 22d of January, to commune with those that wish to take parcels.

For further particulars with regard to the superiority, apply to Mr Beatson, or Mr Robert Trotter, writer to the signet.

JUDICIAL SALE—BY ADJOURNMENT.

To be exposed to public roup, by authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament House, Edinburgh, on Friday the 16th December curt. betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon, before the Lord Ordinary on the bills for the time,

THE ROOM and LANDS of AUCHINSHINNOCH, with the teinds, houses, and pertinents, lying in the parish of Dalry, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright. The rental of these Lands for a *nineteen* years lease, free of all deductions, is proven to be 54 l. 1 s. 5 d. 3-12ths, the value of which, at *twenty-five* years purchase, is 1351 l. 15 s. 11 d. 3-12ths Sterling, being the upset price fixed by the Court.

The lands are a merk land of old extent, and hold of the Crown blench. They are now valued at 160 l. Scots, according to which they pay cess. The teinds are also held blench. The lands have, for some time past, been possessed on short leases, and a considerable rise may be expected for a lease of nineteen years.

The articles of roup to be seen in the office of Mr George Kirkpatrick, one of the depute-clerks of Session, and in the hands of James Grahame, writer in Dumfries, the factor; and Bain Whyt writer in Edinburgh, agent in the sale, who will inform as to particulars.

JUDICIAL SALE OF DURN.

BY ADJOURNMENT, and the PRICE REDUCED,

To be Sold by public roup, under authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament-house, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 2d day of February 1785, between the hours of four and six afternoon,

ALL and Whole the Lands, Barony, and Barons of DURN, with the Teinds and Mill of the same, lying in the parish of Fordyce and shire of Banff; the proven free rent whereof, exclusive of the cess, which is paid by the tenants, is 721 l. 6 s. 4 d. 3-12ths; and the upset price which originally was 19,467 l. 10 s. 6 d. is now to be 18,000 l.

The valued rent is 952 l. Scots; and those parts of the lands held of the Crown, entitle the proprietor to a freehold-qualification in the county.

The estate is reckoned to contain about 1600 Scots acres, exclusive of a share in an undivided common and moss. It is situated within a quarter of a mile of that populous flourishing sea-port town called Portsoy, five miles from Banff, and three from Cullen, through all which the great post-road leads, and in that district of the shire called the BOYNE, remarkable for its excellent soil and climate, fertile in all kinds of grain, and of late much distinguished for a spirit of improvement.—The estate is well tenanted, most of the leases nearly expired, and, upon a renewal, it is expected will yield more than double the present rent.—The lands abound with lime-stone, marble, and whin-stone quarries; and on the hill of Durn there are great quantities of white stone, fit for potteries, for which advantageous offers have been made. The lands are also well accommodated with the means of improvement, as the barony has a servitude on the inexhaustible mosses of Park, and, from their vicinity to water-carriage, coal, and every other necessary, are easily procured. The Gardens of Durn are very extensive, and well stocked with fruit-trees of the best kinds; a considerable part of the estate contiguous to the house is inclosed and subdivided with whin and thorn hedges, with belts of thriving young plantations, which renders the parks remarkably warm and well sheltered. There is likewise a good deal of old planting about the house, on which no value is put.

A new house may be set down at a little distance from the old one, on a more elevated and most eligible spot, in the middle of a rich loamy field of forty acres, well supplied with spring and running water, and diversified with most delightful and extensive prospects of the Moray Frith and adjacent country.

The articles of roup are to be seen in the office of Mr Alexander Ross, depute-clerk of session; and the rental, with a measurement of the estate, in the hands of Andrew Steuart jun. writer to the signet, agent in the sale; to whom, or Mr Keith Dunbar, depute-clerk of Session, intending purchasers may apply for other particulars. A plan of the estate lies with Mr James Duff at Banff, factor appointed by the Court; and John Ross, gardener at Durn, will show the grounds.

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